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Mr. William Gray
Anaconda Copper Company
555 Seventeenth Street
Denver, Colorado 80217

Dear Mr. Gray:

We are writing concerning your plan entitled, "Reclamation Plan, Jackpile-Paguate Uranium Mine, Anaconda Copper Company, New Mexico Operations." We have an additional question, number 80, concerning this plan. We wish to know Anaconda's intentions with regard to archeological sites and areas sacred to Laguna Pueblo. The majority of such areas within the lease area have not been disturbed by mining activity. How does Anaconda propose to ensure that such areas are not disturbed during reclamation?

Please respond to our question at your earliest convenience. If you should have any questions concerning the nature of our inquiry, please contact Mr. William C. Allan, Area Environmental Quality Specialist, Environmental Quality Services, at 766-3374.

Sincerely yours,

Sidney L. Mills

Area Director

cc: Supt., Laguna Agency

Mr. Marc Nelson, USGS

Chief, Br. of Estate Services, Attn: P. Garding

